



REPORT OF THE ALTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY

In 2007 the Alton Historical Society had a busy and productive year. Our interesting and informative programs were well attended.

Most of the society's efforts went in the freight building renovation project. In March we received a \$5000 grant from the NH Electric co-op which made the installation of the septic system possible. Town water and an electric conduit were installed underground to the building and George Chrisenton worked on the site plan. We were able to excavate soil from the west side to expose the sill and stone foundation. The exterior of the east side was primed and a retaining wall for a septic system was put into place. Work was performed on the gable end and the 17 ft. sill replaced. The west wall was jacked up and stabilized before replacing 60 ft of sills. We are indebted to the volunteers who logged 258 hours to make all that happen.

Members of the Renovation Committee met with Town officials; Building Inspector, Fire Chief, Police Chief and Town Planner, to ensure we were moving in the right direction. On December 20, 2007, our site plan application was submitted to the Planning Board.

Our Museum Committee is currently collating information the museum contains, into files and chronological notebooks to be used as research material. Again this year the Historical Society held an open house during the annual *Light-Up-Night* in December.

I would like to extend my thanks and appreciation to all who have worked on the building, the museum, bake sales, and fundraisers. Anyone who would interested in joining the Historical Society, receive information, or if you would like a copy of our 2008 program schedule, please contact me at 875-2488.

Respectfully submitted,

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